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School Board moves to oust Doughty

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

By a 6-1 vote, the Venice School Board approved taking the first step toward firing suspended Superintendent James Doughty.

The vote — to send Doughty a letter notifying of their intent to terminate his contract — came after the board met for about

Superintendent can request hearing

three hours in executive session at Thursday's regular business meeting. Board Member Tyrone Q. Echols — one of Doughty's most vocal opponents on the board — said that Doughty will now have an opportunity to request a hearing on his termination. Echols added that while severance and other

matters had been discussed in executive session, nothing was agreed to at this time. Doughty has two years remaining on a three-year contract. His salary is about \$85,000 per year. With benefits and vacation time, he has claimed the district would owe him approximately \$200,000 for those two years.

Echols said the board's action was "great."
 "Hopefully, it's not too late for some of the people to forgive us," he said, referring to widespread criticism of Doughty and the board in the past six months.
 When the vote was taken, many in the crowd cheered. "We're grateful, we're glad,

we're relieved," said Kevin Baker, president of Venice Federation of Teachers Local 965. "We're very glad they finalized it tonight and now it's over."
 Baker said union representatives had met with acting Superintendent Robert Vickers and had already dealt with a number of grievances filed under Doughty's administration.



Doughty

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Cops drop cruisers for bicycles

Program increases visibility, accessibility

By Michael Heil
Staff writer

Pontoon Beach police officers Gene Wilkinson and Chris Modrusic prefer to patrol on two wheels instead of four.

That's because the two ride on bicycles instead of the traditional police cruiser. The program is a popular one among police departments to allow more visibility for officers and to allow officers to meet, and exchange ideas with, the public.

Occasionally, the officers eagerly hop onto their Fuji bikes and cycle throughout Pontoon Beach wearing sunglasses, black biker shorts, white short-sleeve shirts and custom-made helmets.

"It's rewarding," Wilkinson said. "We have a positive influence on the people we meet and we're more open to the kids. The people like to see us on the bikes."

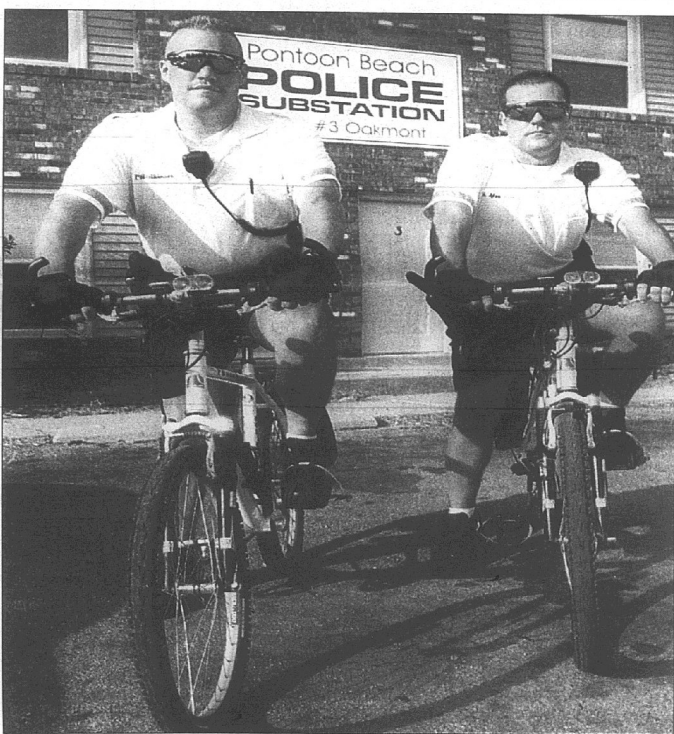
"People come up to us and start talking," Modrusic added. "I believe they have a strong feeling of security when they see us riding."

Wilkinson and Modrusic have been patrolling off and on by pedal since June 4, when the Pontoon Beach Bike Patrol became operational. Each officer from the department is required to patrol via the bicycle.

They gear up for their four-hour shifts from a police substation located at Westgate Apartments. Their schedules vary, but the two officers are in patrol two days a week or on the weekends.

Modrusic, 27, said the job is anything but a ride through the park because of the amount of miles covered.

"Granted, it can be fun, but



Mike Heil photo

Pontoon Beach police officers Gene Wilkinson and Chris Modrusic have taken to the streets on bicycles, thanks to a donation from Werner/Mick Chapel.

you still have to be in shape," Modrusic said. "At times, we can average between 20 or 30 miles a shift."

Wilkinson, 27, who has been with the department for about a year and a half, agreed by saying, "It's more of a challenge to patrol on a bike because of the physical exercise it demands, especially when there's a lot of humidity and the sun is beating down."

Since June 4, bike patrol officers have arrested five persons and have been viewed by the community as public servants committed to combat crime.

"We have had a lot of compliments," Pontoon Beach Police Lt. Dan Abel said. "It's had a positive effect on our area, especially with the children and youth."

The Bike Patrol started in

the community because of donations from community businesses. Werner/Mick Chapel donated \$1,500 so that the police department could purchase the two Fuji bikes. About a handful of other businesses have contributed to its success as well, donating about \$1,700.

Police continues to receive donations for the patrol from area businesses.

Oppressive heat will continue

Heat indices to reach 110

By Scott Cousins
Staff writers

If you don't like the heat... Get out of the St. Louis region.

High temperatures and humidity, bringing heat index figures past 100 degrees, are expected to be around at least through Tuesday.

According to the National Weather Service in St. Louis, temperatures were expected to reach the mid-to-upper 90s through Saturday, with heat indices up to 110 degrees and a slight chance of thunderstorms.

Temperatures were expected to remain in the 90s at least through Tuesday. Most people appeared to be coping with the heat. Although heat shelters were available,

"Your best defense against heat-related illness is common sense and prevention."

Dr. John R. Lumpkin
 Department of Public Health

as of Friday nobody was reported using them.

According to Madison County Emergency Services, local heat shelters are:

Granite City/Mitchell/Pontoon Beach — Salvation Army, 307 E. 23rd St., 451-7357, and Chouteau Township Hall, 906 Thorngate Drive, 931-0323.

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Bathon daughter killed in accident

17-year-old fatally injured at Legacy

By Michael Heil
Staff writer

The daughter of Madison County Treasurer Fred

GRANITE CITY
 Bathon died early Friday morning from

injuries suffered in a golf cart accident early Thursday evening at Legacy Golf Course in Granite City.

Jessica Bathon, 17, of the 4900 block of Sequoia, Mitchell, was pronounced dead at Saint Louis University



Fred Bathon

Medical Center at 12:10 a.m., according to Baxter Leisure, executive assistant to the medical examiner in St. Louis. The official cause of death was not released, pending lab results. "Jessica was growing into a young lady who

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Madison's TIF expansion plans moving along well

New fire station also coming along as scheduled

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

Plans to expand the city of Madison's present tax increment financing district and create another residential TIF district are moving along.

At its last meeting, the City Council approved an agreement with the Southwestern Illinois Development Authority to develop the TIFs.

The actual boundaries for the new TIFs has not been totally determined, although the residential TIF is expected to be about 50 acres, said Mayor John Hamm.

The expansion of the present 1,200-acre TIF will include recently annexed areas in St. Clair County, including property now in the city as a result of the

recent deal with the village of Fairmont City over boundaries.

One question is whether the city will make an attempt to annex the Cloverleaf Subdivision area. The residential TIF will include East Madison and the area around the Third Street ball diamond, where Mayor John Hamm plans to build a new fire station.

The city is moving ahead with plans for the new fire station, which would be located on the old Madison Junior High School site. The rest of the property would probably be developed as parks, and the city is planning to seek grants to pay for that.

The Council picked AATC Inc. of Collinsville to design the building, which is expected to cost between \$500,000 and \$750,000. Most of the cost will be paid out of TIF funds.

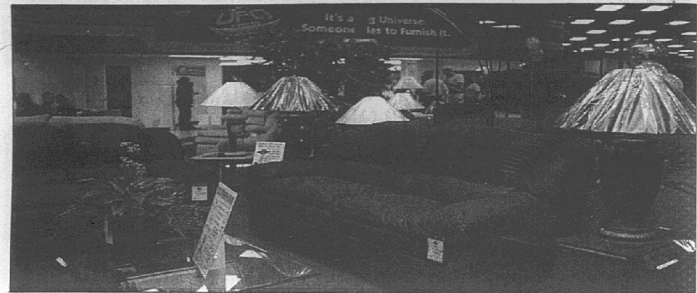
Because the existing and

planned residential TIF districts are connected, funds from one district can be used in the adjoining district.

Juneau and Associates of Granite City was performing ground surveys of the area, and Hamm said Thursday he was planning to take a brief tour of fire stations in Wood River, East Alton and Alton. Hamm added he wanted to begin construction on the new fire station, but the fall, but said the new fire station would probably not be finished until spring.

"I wanted a 60-day turnaround on plan, so hopefully in 90 days, we have it awarded to a contractor," he said.

In addition to the new fire station, Hamm said that the main emphasis of the residential TIF will be to develop infrastructure, such as sewers and sidewalks, in the East Madison area.



Tim Stephenson photo

Open for business

Ultimate Furniture Outlet, a new business in Granite City, recently opened its doors. The company has been a leader in the furniture industry for more than 75 years and offers home and office furnishings at good prices. The Granite City store, located at 20 Nameoki Village, can be reached at 876-1900 (voice) or 876-7654 (fax). For more information, visit the company's web site at www.ufexpress.com.

Police Blotter

Granite City Police

of Edwards Street in Granite City. about 5 a.m.

• **BURGLARY:** A shed burglary occurred Wednesday in the 1200 block of Meridian Avenue in Granite City.

Entry was gained through the basement door, from which a door lock was cut. The burglary occurred

Items stolen were video games valued at about \$180.

• An air compressor, valued at \$260, was stolen. The burglary occurred about 4:30 a.m.

• A burglary occurred early Thursday morning in the 2400 block

Proposal: Replace county homes with private facility

Grassroots panel still needs to review plan

By Paul Mackie
Staff writer

Madison County's two tax-supported care homes will be replaced by a private home, according to a proposal offered by attorneys and officials Wednesday.

The Madison County Nursing Home, 2121 Troy Road in

Edwardsville, will close in about four months if a state regulating board accepts the proposal at its Aug. 19-20 meetings.

Meanwhile, the Madison County Sheltered Care Home at 333 S. Main St. in Edwardsville will remain in operation until a replacement building is completed in early 2002.

Officials hope a replacement home on the same site as the existing Sheltered Care Home would end a raging controversy that has lasted since at least April 1999 when the Madison County Board voted 15-13 to close both deteriorating homes.

"We're asking to close the Nursing Home right away," County Administrator James Monday said. "In the fall, we would put out a request for the proposal of a facility with a full-range continuum of care."

The agreement is pending approval from the Illinois Health Facilities Planning Board, which continuously has denied the county's pleas to get out of the health care business.

However, the difference now is that the county's attorney, John Gilbert of Edwardsville, and the board's attorney, Edward Bruno of Chicago, have agreed that the state board will like the plan.

The Madison County Board's last action on the matter was a vote in September to seek a settlement. The board was notified about the latest plan in an executive session Wednesday. However, several board members said

they did not wish to comment until they fully review the plan.

Besides the county and state, a group fighting to keep the homes open will be allowed to offer input into the plan before the state board's final review. The group, called the County Homes Action Committee, was notified about the plan later Wednesday.

"We need to review it, and then we'll make a comment," said Gary Groetzel, a co-chairman of the group.

Under the proposal, the county would offer a deed to a private developer restricting the 12 acres at the site of the Sheltered Care Home to construction and operation of the replacement home.

The county would give the land to the private

developer, as well as financial assistance to assure the developer would not discriminate against residents who need aid.

Attention Kmart Shoppers In Kmart's Sunday July 25, 1999 ad circular on page 19 the 39.99 Cannon Home and Campus Combo Pack incorrectly states pack includes a bed skirt and sheet. The Combo Pack includes ONLY the comforter and sheet set.

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Catherine Galasso

the raising of your children with great wisdom. Your example and influence is the foundation of their lives. Sometimes we are so eager to give our kids what we never had, we forget to give them what we did have.

Virtues like honesty, kindness, compassion and courage will do more for a child than a full bank account or designer clothes. Security, confidence, self-esteem and a faith in God are some of the most important traits for youngsters to grasp in order to be a content and secure adult. It takes work to bring up a

child right. You are the master sculptor, creating an image of great beauty.

Parents are teachers. Open the gates of their minds by sharing poetry and reading the Bible together. Broaden their horizons by introducing them to classical music. Create joyous moments making lasting memories that will be carried on for generations to follow.

Do not expose yourself to negative news. When we expose ourselves to negative things in this world, we sap our own energy. Therefore we must strive to create beauty, loveliness and order for others and ourselves.

Nervousness and irritations

drop away when things are in place. Keep things in order. Enjoy the wonderful satisfaction of accomplishment as you straighten out the closets and drawers and eliminate clutter while listening to Bach or Vivaldi. It's often a wonderful background sound for energized cleaning. Play peaceful music throughout your home. Beautiful music can inspire and motivate. Delight your family's eye and your guests with sweet surprises. Paint the walls a cheery soft yellow or combine purple and tiny white lights and put them into an antique bird cage to grace the top of a bookshelf, armoire or table. Inspire with meaningful decor

like encouraging scriptural verses in charming gold frames.

Outdoors plant beautiful flowers along your walkway and set a stone angel on your front step to welcome guests. Hang a basket of lovely blossoms on the porch or fill an urn with colorful pansies.

Bring the outdoors in with a bouquet of fresh flowers for the table. Flowers have a wonderful way of showing us God's miraculous beauty while reminding us of His love.

When we stop and give praise and thanks to God, every molecule of our body comes to rest and is revived.

So, keep your hearts filled with God and let his love be the crowning glory in your home.

Focus on God's word and give your cares to him, for he said, "Cast all your cares upon me for I care for you."

Pursue the high and holy calling of creating a happy home. It is so true, "Be it ever so humble, there is no place like home."

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County Board denies second gun club

Board member asks panel to consider other property owners

By Paul Mackie
Staff writer

A smaller gun club will not open next to a 40-acre gun club in rural Edwardsville, the Madison County Board decided at Wednesday's monthly meeting.

The board disapproved a recommendation from the Madison County Zoning Board of Appeals to approve a special use permit to establish a 14-acre gun club

next to the Edwardsville Gun Club, 4104 Staunton Road in Pin Oak Township.

Board member Mike Fruth, D-Edwardsville, persuaded the board to consider the rights of property owners around the club who would have to deal with more traffic and noise, as well as possibly lower property values, with the introduction of a second club.

"I don't think that's fair," Fruth said.

The club moved to Staunton Road from Dunlap Lake in Edwardsville before

any neighbors built homes near the new site. However, that didn't stop the County Board from siding with the property rights of neighbors and voting 15-13 against a second gun club.

Board member Homer Henke, R-Moro, gave an impassioned speech in support of a second gun club and urged other elected officials to visit the club before making a hasty judgment against its plan.

"I think we're doing a great injustice. Being against the gun club is like being against baseball, apple

pie and Chevrolet. It's like the (Salvation Army) ringing a bell and saying it disturbs me," Henke said.

Established in 1879 and known as the oldest continuously operated gun club in the nation, Henke noted that the Edwardsville Gun Club is not used by its 225 members to shoot guns only.

The club does several charitable projects throughout the year, including gun training, fishing classes and hunter safety programs.

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Opinions



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State House too small?

Here's a concept for you: We'd be better off with a few more politicians.

Whoa, now, wait a minute. Don't pop your cork. I'm not talking about politicians in general.

What I mean is we'd be better off if we increased the size of the Illinois House by a third.

No, I haven't lost my freaky mind. Stay with me a minute and you might actually agree with me by the end of this column.

The vast majority of legislative districts in this state were created to protect the majority of one of the two political parties. The Republicans used an age-old device when they drew the legislative district map at the beginning of this decade.

They started by giving themselves comfortable majorities in as many districts as possible, of course. However, that didn't add up to a majority in either chamber, particularly the House, so the Republicans made a few districts competitive by packing as many Democrats as possible into a minority of the districts.

For example, way down south in Southern Illinois, the Republicans made Rep. Larry Woolard's (D-Cartersville) district overwhelmingly Democratic on purpose so they could put as many Republican-leaning precincts as possible into the district next door, which was just barely won by a Democrat last year. The Republicans think they'll pick that seat up next year, and they could be right.

Anyway, the point is that most of us live in solidly Republican or Democratic legislative districts. And if you happen to be a Republican in, say, massively Democratic Chicago, then no one in Springfield really speaks for you. The same thing goes if you're a Democrat in Republican-dominated DuPage County.

It never used to be that way. From 1870 until 1980, Illinois had a unique way of electing its House members. It was called "cumulative voting," and it all but guaranteed that Republicans were elected in Chicago and Democrats were elected in DuPage.

Back then, there were three House members in each Senate district, rather than the current two per district, and they all ran at-large, rather than be divided up into their own individual districts, as they are today.

The best part about this

system was that voters were allowed to divide up their votes any way they wanted. They could give candidate A two votes and candidate B one vote. Or they could give all three votes to candidate C, which was called a "bullet" vote back then.

Republicans in overwhelmingly Democratic areas would often give their "bullet" to just one Republican candidate, which elected Repubs even in the heaviest Democratic districts in the state.

But then along came Pat Quinn, a populist looking for an issue to catapult him to statewide office. Quinn convinced voters that cutting down to two-member districts was a good idea. The Quinn plan got rid of 59 politicians, which was a very popular thing to do at the beginning of the Reagan era.

Quinn promised that the so-called "Cutback Amendment" to the state constitution would reduce the tax dollars spent on the legislature. Wrong. Spending on legislative staff and perks has skyrocketed since the Cutback Amendment passed. And because House leaders no longer had to deal with independent voters from areas outside their sphere of influence, they were able to consolidate their grip on their chamber.

There's a group out there called Illinois Citizens for Proportional Representation, and they want to go back to the pre-cutback days. I could not agree more.

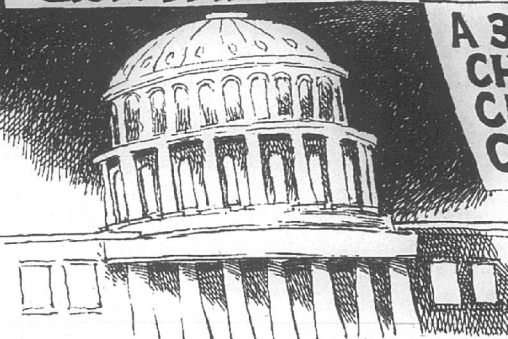
But I don't buy into all the rhetoric of how great things will be once we revert to a cumulative voting system. House Speaker Michael Madigan and House Republican Leader Lee Daniels are both very smart and able men who would probably retain their stranglehold on power even if we brought back the old system, although the new independents might force them to loosen their grasp a bit.

But at the very least, a return to cumulative voting will mean that the vast majority of Illinoisans will finally have legislators who look at local problems from a perspective that's closer to their own.

If you look at it that way, adding a few more politicians to the mix doesn't seem like such a terrible tradeoff.

Rich Miller is an independent journalist who covers statewide political issues for the Illinois Press Association.

The Latest Republican GUN LAW...



Letters to the editor

Consumer protection for managed care plans

TO THE EDITOR:

The insurance industry has been fighting a vigorous battle to keep Congress from passing legislation which would curb widespread abuses in managed care health plans. But the U.S. Senate will finally begin a debate on legislation to provide protection to consumers covered by managed-care plans.

Citizens across the state have an enormous stake in what the Senate does and whether a real patients' bill of rights is passed.

Unfortunately, there is a very real threat that the Senate will pass an impostor bill which is riddled with loopholes and provides more protection for the insurance industry than consumers.

Like many Americans, members of AFSCME have been watching the debate on managed-care reform with great interest. But our interest is not just as patients and consumers of health care services, but also as physicians, nurses and other health care workers who are on the front line of health care delivery.

We were heartened when Sen. Peter Fitzgerald recently joined Sen. Dick Durbin in casting a procedural vote in support of real patient protections. We urge him to again join Sen. Durbin to stand with consumers, rather than the insurance industry, in support of comprehensive and enforceable protections for patients.

Over the last 15 years, there has been a dramatic growth of enrollment in HMOs

and other forms of managed-care plans. But as enrollment has grown, so, too, has concern that the pendulum may have swung too far.

Originally embraced as an antidote to growing health-care costs, managed-care plans, particularly for-profit plans, are now criticized for spending too much on CEO salaries and advertising and too little on patient care.

More and more, managed-care plans are sending patients home too early from hospitals and nursing homes, denying patients access to specialists and blocking emergency room treatment. Families are increasingly insecure about whether quality care will be there when they face a crisis.

The drive to reduce costs is also leading managed-care plans, hospitals and other health-care facilities to cut jobs to unsafe levels and replace skilled health-care personnel with inadequately trained and inexperienced workers.

Yet health care workers who speak out about poor quality care or patient safety face the threat of termination or other forms of retaliation. Unsafe patient conditions arise when facilities can sweep them under the rug.

Every day, medical decisions are being made, not by doctors, but by insurance company accountants. Plans are able to overturn treatment decisions by physicians, not because treatment is inappropriate, but because it costs money. Legislation passed by the Senate must guarantee that insurance companies are no longer able to overrule doctors solely because of cost.

AFSCME also believes that health plans should be held accountable when they injure a patient because of a refusal to authorize care. We also reject the notion that reforms should only apply to plans covering employees of large private firms.

It would be grossly inequitable to pass patients' rights which protect only some working families.

As consumers and as health-care workers, AFSCME members are hopeful that the U.S. Senate will pass meaningful managed care reform. We urge Sen. Fitzgerald to take a stand for consumers and vote for a real patients' bill of rights, not phony imposters.

SHARON CORRIGAN
Fairview Heights

He gets no greeting and thinks he knows why

TO THE EDITOR:

Feeling my "inquiries" have fallen on deaf ears, I am now writing to you. My problem is "people" are not paying attention to me.

I'm not a glutton for attention or anything, but lately, I have been feeling a bit neglected.

My neglect is not from friends, family members, or even my spouse. My cold-shoulder is coming from the employed "greeters" of WalMart, no one store in particular: Collinsville, O'Fallon, Edwardsville, etc.

A greeter's job entails he/she to greet the incoming customer(s) as each enters the store, and in some cases,

the "greeter" assists the patron(s) in grabbing a cart. But when I enter the store, nothing, not even a peep! I always smile real big and say, "Hello!" to each of them, but more often than not, my expression of regard is unrequited.

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If I didn't know the greeting existed, I would just walk in the store and do my business. But I do know.

And when I hear the "greeter" greet the person 10 feet behind me, I ask "Where was mine?" And when the person 10 feet in front of me gets a huge "Hello," I hope for something of the same.

I know my greetings will come with age. But there will always be youth, and a lot of them are just like me. They appreciate and return gestures of goodwill.

DOUGLAS A BREWER
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Obituaries

Marlin Chroat

MARLIN L. CHROAT, 75, of St. Louis, formerly of Granite City, died at 5:18 p.m. Thursday, July 22, 1999, at BJC Barnes Hospital in St. Louis.

He was born May 17, 1924, in Edwille, Ky. Mr. Chroat was a U.S. Army veteran and worked for the U.S. Army Aviation Systems Command as a systems analyst for 22 years, retiring in 1987. He was a member of St. Elizabeth Catholic Church in Granite City, National Association of Retired Federal Employees and the Retired Enlisted Association.

He is survived by his wife, Frances (Novacki) Chroat; a son, Randy Chroat of Granite City; a daughter, Pamela Brandebourg of Union Grove, Ala.; a granddaughter, Tiffany Chroat of Tulsa; five grandsons, Brian, Tristan and Russell Chroat, all of Granite City, and Christopher and Benjamin Brandebourg, both of Alabama; a step-granddaughter, Laura Wilson of Granite City; a sister, Margaret Dunn of Calvert City, Ky.; and a brother, Noble Chroat of Edwille, Ky.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Remond and Sallie (Dunning) Chroat; a son, Richard Chroat; and his first wife, Geraldine (Hooks) Chroat.

Visitation will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. today, Sunday, July 25, at Thomas Mortuary in Granite City. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, July 26, at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church in Granite City, with the Rev. Tom Lierbi officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Estates in Edwardsville.

Memorials may be made to St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church Building Fund.

Josephine Jeffers

JOSEPHINE D. (CZAJKOWSKI) JEFFERS, 75, of Granite City, died at

2:30 p.m. Thursday, July 22, 1999, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City.

She was born April 24, 1924, in Ashler, Mo. Mrs. Jeffers was a member of St. Elizabeth Catholic Church in Granite City.

She is survived by two brothers, Raymond Czajkowski of Nashville and John Czajkowski of Mt. Vernon; and a sister, Adeline Czajkowski of Nashville.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Joe Jeffers; her parents, Joseph and Anna (Kretz) Czajkowski; four brothers, William Czajkowski, Paul Czajkowski, Walter Shye and Clemens Czajkowski; and a sister, Mildred Guilmont.

Visitation will be held from noon to 1 p.m. Monday, July 26, at Irwin Chapel in Granite City. Funeral services will follow at the chapel, with the Rev. Francis Tebanung officiating. Burial will be in Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery in St. Louis.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association.

Joseph Koszela

JOSEPH T. KOSZELA, 83, of Granite City, died at 5:03 a.m. Friday, July 23, 1999, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville.

He was born Sept. 13, 1915 in St. Louis. Mr. Koszela was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II.

He is survived by a stepdaughter, Patricia Ingram of Granite City; two step-grandchildren, Jim Jenne and Erica Ingram, both of Granite City; and five sisters.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Nellie (Bargel) Koszela; his parents, Louis and Rose Koszela; and a sister.

Mr. Koszela's remains were cremated. Staten Funeral Home in Alton handled arrangements.

Alice Paul

ALICE V. PAUL, 87, of Pontoon Beach, died at 6:05 p.m. Thursday,

July 22, 1999, in Pontoon Beach.

She was born June 8, 1912, in Mitchell, Mo. She had been a Pontoon Beach resident for 30 years. Miss Paul retired from Olin Corporation in East Alton, where she worked for 40 years as an inspector.

Survivors include a brother, Lee Paul of Granite City; and two nephews, Gary Paul of Granite City and Robert Paul of St. Louis.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Albert and Gertrude (Spry) Paul; and two sisters, Rosie Paul and Daisy Paul.

Funeral services will be held at 8 p.m. today, Sunday, July 25, at Irwin Chapel in Granite City.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, July 26, at the funeral home, with Rev. Darin Hughes officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Gardens, Edwardsville.

Adrienne Warchol

ADRIENNE M. "DEAN" (THEBAUD) WARCHOL, 67, of Glen Carbon, died at 12:30 a.m. Friday, July 23, 1999, at her residence.

She was born Aug. 21, 1932, in Granite City. Ms. Warchol was a member of St. Cecilia Catholic Church in Glen Carbon, BPW of Granite City and the Junior Service Club of Madison.

She is survived by two daughters, Janice Forrest and Carolyn Stark, both of Glen Carbon; a son, James Warchol of Granite City; a brother, Thomas Thebaud of Dallas; and seven grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Harry and Leora (Piorce) Thebaud.

Visitation will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. Sunday, July 25, at Irwin Chapel in Granite City.

Funeral services will be held Monday, July 26, at the chapel; time is pending. Burial will be in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Edwardsville.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Madison County.

New legislation may help senior taxpayers with their property taxes

By Paul Mackie
Staff writer

Senior citizens throughout Illinois will benefit from new legislation that changes income qualifications on property tax bills.

The Madison County Board's Tax Cycle Committee recently recommended that the County Board extend the deadline for Senior Tax Assessment Freeze applications until Sept. 10.

The board was to vote on the matter at its July 21 meeting.

"This threw a monkey wrench in the tax cycle," said Kerry Miller, chairman of Madison County's Board of Review.

"We were halfway through our cycle."

While the timing of the legislative move may be inconvenient to some officials, thousands of senior citizens are likely to benefit from the change.

"The annual household income requirement was \$35,000 to be eligible for the freeze exemption," Miller said.

"That qualification has been changed to \$40,000, which means a senior's household can earn \$40,000 in a year and remain eligible for the exemption."

Last year, seniors granted the tax-exemption freezes within Madison County numbered 7,876, with the total

amount written off on property taxes at more than \$18 million. The number of freezes granted was down from 9,700 in 1997.

"We're still trying to figure out why there was a big drop-off," Miller said.

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Coroner's jury rules woman's death accident

By Paul Mackie
Staff writer

A woman hit by a car and killed as she ran across Interstate 255 last month was an intense beating victim whose medications may have left her disoriented, a Madison County coroner's jury was told recently.

Gail A. Magac, 40, of Glen Carbon, was pronounced dead at 4:29 a.m. June 11 south of the Interstate 55-70 exit in Collinsville Township.

Investigators believe Magac may have been trying to walk several miles to her home in the East 30 Mobile Home Park in Glen Carbon, perhaps from The Finish Line, a Collinsville bar where she last had been reported seen.

She was walking north in the middle of the road when she was hit by a northbound 1995 Chevrolet Camaro driven by Brenda L. Kurtz, 38, of Maryville. Sgt. Allen Jacobs of the Illinois State Police, an accident reconstruction specialist, said Kurtz was on her way home from work and

not impaired in any way. Kurtz has not been charged. A personal checkbook found at the scene led police to Magac's identity.

The last 12 hours of Magac's life are unaccounted for. A coroner's report said Magac appeared at the home of a neighbor just before midnight June 9, claiming she

had just been hit by a boyfriend and wanting to go to the emergency room at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. She was discharged a couple of hours later, at 2:20 a.m., after refusing to have the police called. The friend returned her home.

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Waiting in lines may be a thing of the past

By Wade Alberty
Staff writer

Long lines may be a thing of the past for Illinois. State Treasurer Judy Baar Topinka announced Wednesday at the Parks

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Airport Concourse in Cahokia that a new program beginning Aug. 1 will

enable Illinois citizens to pay many government fees via debit or credit card.

The program will allow residents to pay such fees as traffic tickets, child support payments and driver's licenses, among other state fees. Topinka said this will answer the question, "Why does government not run like a business?"

"People have enjoyed the ease and convenience of being able to buy items like groceries, gas and other items via credit card, and several people are enjoying the convenience of shopping from home on the internet," Topinka said. "This is the no hassle way people like to do business."

"People are stressed, they have complicated lives and they don't want to wait in lines."

Within a year and a half 12 state agencies will be participating in the new program, Topinka said. "We are trying to bring the state into the 21st century," she said.

Each agency will be able to decide for itself how to accept the debit and credit card payments. Topinka said she has worked out a contract with MasterCard and Visa, and is currently trying to work out an agreement with Discover and American Express.

Some of the advantages offered to the state from this new program will be less time and money spent on following bounced checks, and it will significantly reduce the time for getting payments into the state coffers.

"Agencies have the opportunity to streamline their operations and make the process more efficient," Topinka said. "Agencies that decide to participate will be able to take advantage of the legwork already done by the treasurer's office with the credit card companies."

Topinka said this is an example of government responding to people's needs.

"Now we will be able to offer a more efficient way of conducting state business at a faster pace, furthering convenience while maintaining a high quality of service," Topinka said.

School board moves to oust Doughty

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"Our relationship with Mr. Vickers - and hopefully that will extend over to the board - is what it should be, professional," he said. "If we have a problem, we go in there, discuss it and settle it."

The only no vote was by James Harrell, who has been Doughty's most loyal supporter.

"It's a matter of principle," he said after the meeting. "I believe the School Board, in their haste to terminate Dr.

Doughty, is being capricious and arbitrary."

He also said the board has not given Doughty due process.

"He did contribute to the success in a lot of ways," Harrell said of Doughty. "A lot of things that occurred were not all his fault."

Harrell also said that when Doughty came to the district, it was facing many problems and the school board was in "total disarray."

Neither Doughty or his attorney, Charles Ford of Clayton, could be reached for comment.

Bathon daughter fatally injured

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was really coming into her own," Fred Bathon said. "She was having a great summer. She loved her job, and was enjoying life as much as anyone could. We were just talking about what colleges she wanted to attend next year."

Jessica had worked intermittently as a beverage driver

at the golf course the past three months. She had just returned from delivering beverages to a group of golfers when the cart she was driving struck a three-foot horizontal security bar about 6:30 p.m. as she entered the east section of the golf cart garage.

According to a police report, an employee found Jessica a short time later in the cart, pinned under the bar.

Emergency personnel arrived on the scene about 8:40 p.m. and rushed her to St. Elizabeth Medical Center. She was then transported to Saint Louis University Medical Center. Authorities from the Granite City Fire Department declined to comment.

Jessica would have been a senior at Granite City High School this fall. She is survived by her mother, Terri, her father and her sister, Rachel. In a prepared statement Bathon said his family is trying to come to terms with the loss of their daughter.

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ARRF: Animals require special attention during 'dog days' of summer

By Val McDowell
Staff writer

Members of the Animal Rescue and Relief Foundation of Southwest Illinois have kept busy at a record pace this past week.

They have rescued three kittens found unattended in wooded areas of Collinsville. Also, a 6-month-old cat and a black Sheltie mix dog were

discovered injured in different sections of St. Clair County.

The foundation, which assists animals in need, is currently seeking contributions to help with these cases and others to come.

"Donations are always welcome," said Shelley Blumberg, ARRF president. "Our membership drive is in full swing and we have some great items to offer."

To renew an ARRF membership for \$10, a donor can choose one of several items: a "guardian angel dog," a brass

cat tag, or a rhinestone pin. A new membership item offered this year is a guardian pet safety light, to put on a pet's collar, or a personal key ring.

"It's been a busy summer already and the veterinary bills are mounting up once again," said Blumberg.

Blumberg said she is glad that ARRF is available to provide first aid for animals, and has a number of safety tips to offer customers, as well as pet owners.

She said heat exhaustion affects animals as well as

human beings and there are a number of ways to help protect your pet from the heat.

She recommends walking pets before 9 a.m. or after 7 p.m. when temperatures are lowest and the sidewalk is cooled down.

Detachable signs of heat exhaustion include abnormal excitement, agitated barking and heavy panting. She recommends cooling the pet off with water, especially in the heart and head areas.

Make certain enough fresh water is available for them

throughout the day and that they have enough shade.

"People can shed a fur coat, but they can't," Blumberg said.

She said cats especially love the heat, and sometimes don't drink enough water. That

can be remedied by providing them with cat food that has plenty of moisture in it.

To make a donation, or become a member of ARRF, send to: ARRF of Illinois, PO Box 397 Caseyville, 62223, or call 624-1223.

High heat and humidity hits area hard

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Madison - Madison Recreation Center, Seventh and Lee, and West Madison Recreation Center, 901 W. Washington. Contact the police department at 876-4300.

Venice - Venice Senior Citizens Center, Brown and Klein. Call the police station at 877-2114.

New Shining Light Missionary Baptist Church, 214 Broadway, Venice, is also open as a heat shelter from 9 a.m. until sunset.

At St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City,

Kathleen Gauen, director of ambulatory services, said they have not had any heat stroke or heat exhaustion cases as of Friday morning. However, they did treat one sunburn and have seen an increase in patients suffering from chronic illnesses, especially respiratory illnesses.

High temperatures resulted in record electricity usage by Illinois Power customers Wednesday, then apparently broke the record again Thursday.

IP reported system-wide usage of 4,282 megawatts on Wednesday, breaking the previous record of 4,060 megawatts set July 21, 1998.

Spokesman Mike Monahan said Thursday's usage was estimated at 4,288 megawatts and reported no major problems.

"As the continuing heat wave pushes usage to new peak levels, IP's generation and delivery system are meeting the demand without a hitch," said Lisa Krueger, director of transmission service. "Throughout the summer, we've had more than adequate generation for meeting our customers' needs."

As the heat continues to pound the Metro East area, Illinois Department of Public Health Director Dr. John R. Lumpkin reminded residents to use common sense.

"Your best defense against heat-related illness is common sense and prevention," he said. "Staying cool and making simple changes in your fluid intake, activities and clothing can help you remain safe and healthy."

In addition to heat stroke

and heat exhaustion, he also warned about heat cramps, noting that people with a heart condition or on a low-sodium diet should seek medical attention.

He also reminded people to be careful about sunburn. Although most cases heal quickly, more severe sunburns can be very painful and may require medical attention.

Other hot-weather tips include using a "buddy" system when working in the heat; checking on senior citizens or those with chronic health problems; limiting outdoor activi-

ties; drinking plenty of fluids; and wearing lightweight, light-colored, loose-fitting clothing.

The American Red Cross states that extreme heat had discouraged blood donations from attending local blood drives as well, causing inventory levels to plummet.

There are several blood drives scheduled in the Metro East area in the coming days and the

American Red Cross would like to encourage participation. Call toll-free (800) 705-2406, ext. 2123, for information on local drives.

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All of the alternatives analyzed for this site are presented in the Proposed Plan found in the Information Repository at the Granite City Library. Various alternatives for the following Operable Units are discussed in the documents: Soils and Waste, Non-Aqueous Phase Liquids, Groundwater, Buildings, and Miscellaneous. For specific and more detailed information for these five Operable Units, please review the Proposed Plan.

All written comments on the remedial alternatives in the Proposed Plan must be postmarked on or before August 19, 1999, and should be mailed to:

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The Administrative Record containing any information which the Agency bases its decisions when selecting the alternatives for the removal actions is also available at the Granite City Public Library on or before July 30, 1999.

Written comments need not be notarized.

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The federal funds rate is volatile because it's calculated on a day-to-day basis. Economic and technical factors influence its direction. By increasing or decreasing the federal funds target rate, the Fed can orchestrate the flow of money into the

economy.

A lower federal funds rate makes borrowing more attractive for banks and their customers, thereby increasing the flow of money into the economy. A higher federal funds rate tightens the flow. These moves by the Fed are generally cautious, avoiding knee-jerk reactions to breaking news of the economy. The federal funds rate is the benchmark for pricing other short-term securities.

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The more widely publicized prime interest rate is the interest rate banks charge to their most credit-worthy customers, typically only blue-chip corporations. Rates on loans to less credit-worthy customers (which generally include most individuals and businesses) are tied to the prime rate. The prime rate is determined by the market forces affecting a bank's cost of funds and the rates borrowers will accept.

typically only blue-chip corporations. Rates on loans to less credit-worthy customers (which generally include most individuals and businesses) are tied to the prime rate.

The prime rate is determined by the market forces affecting a bank's cost of funds and the rates

borrowers will accept. Because Fed funds are the source of funds to a bank, the prime rate set by a bank must be higher than the federal funds rate the bank pays.

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Jeff Prosser

plus a reasonable profit for the bank and its shareholders. When the Federal Reserve raises or lowers its rate, the prime rate follows.

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Jeff Prosser is an investment professional in the Granite City office of Edward Jones.

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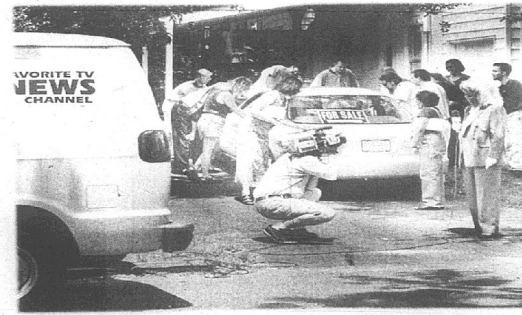
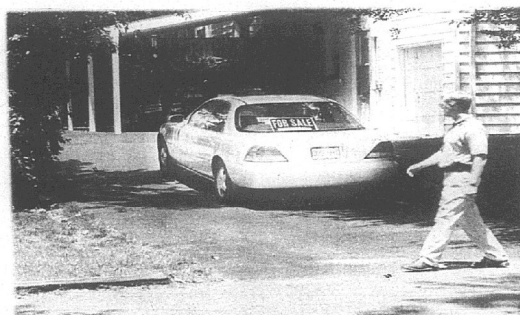
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The Elks, whose national convention was the 135th in their history, are represented locally by Granite City Elks Lodge 1068, whose Exalted Ruler, or Lodge President, is

Robert Doneff of Granite City. Local representatives attended the Kansas City convention to help shape the programs and policies of the National Order, which currently boasts almost 1.2 million members nationwide. The Elks have a long tradition of philanthropic service, sponsoring youth athletic and drug education programs, aid for people with disabilities, college

scholarships, cancer and transplantation research, and veterans' service programs. The Elks have also made significant commitments through America's Promise, an organization committed to providing fundamental resources to youths. Among the highlights of the convention were speeches by the two overall winners of the Elks National Free Throw Competition, Whitney Gaston,

9, of Madisonville, Ky., and Matt Ihler, 12, of Madison, S.D. They were the best of more than 3 million kids, ages 8 to 13, who participated in this year's competition. Also addressing the convention were Tia Gubler of Bountiful, Utah, and Robby Schwindt of Utica, Kan., the top two winners in the Elks National Foundation's "Most Valuable Student" scholarship competition. Each student will

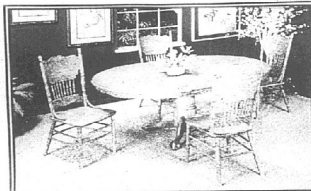
receive a four-year scholarship worth \$30,000. The Elks National Foundation annually awards more than \$3 million in scholarships of the basis of academics, leadership and financial need. Throughout the convention, the 2,200 local Lodges were hailed for their support of the Order's national programs, as well as for their own local programs, and were encouraged to deepen their

commitment to those in need. "Our communities desperately need Elk volunteers as various governmental agencies continue to reduce their services and aid," declared James C. Varenhorst, who was elected National President during the convention. "It is vitally important for the Elks to be there helping our American neighbors."

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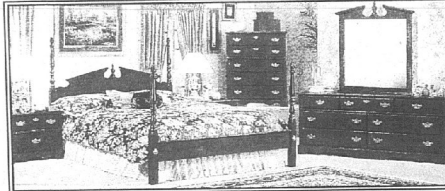


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Minor league memories

Stags era ended 50 years ago

Thanks to a friend's copy of the book "The Encyclopedia of Minor League Baseball," I was reminded the other day that it was 50 years ago that professional baseball died in Belleville.

It was 1949 and the affiliate of the New York Yankees finished last in the Class D Mississippi-Ohio Valley League with a season record of 43-76, 31 1/2 games behind champion Centralia. Season attendance was just 13,500 for the Stags, who played at the Belleville.



Art Voellinger
Sports Views

Athletic Field. Surely, when the Gateway Grizzlies enter the independent Frontier League sometime in the year 2000, attendance figures again will be a priority, but I wonder if any of the players will reach the stardom of some of the players for or against the Belleville team of the 1940s. As a youngster in 1949, I watched the Stags play an exhibition game against the St. Louis Browns of the American League and even had a ball autographed by future Rookie of the Year outfielder Roy Sievers of the Browns.

While doing research, though, I learned that former Detroit pitcher Les Mueller, who helped the Tigers to a World Series title against the Chicago Cubs in 1945, was among four Belleville managers in 1949. "I had been asked by the Yankees in 1948 at Newark, N.J., if I would be interested in managing the team," recalled Belleville native Mueller.

With the franchise in disarray, Mueller departed—even before the early season game I witnessed. While Les told me he could not recall too many players who reached the majors, he was a year late to observe Bob Turley, the East St. Louis native who reeled off six pitching victories when Belleville was affiliated with the Browns.

In 1949, Turley's streak reached 17 until he suffered a 2-1 loss to Fargo-Moorhead in the Northern League. From Aberdeen, N.D., Turley advanced and reached more fame in the winter of 1954 when he and Don Larsen were part of an 18-player trade that sent him to the Yankees.

In 1955 he responded with a 17-13 record and Larsen was 9-2 for the World champions.

Extra innings

Book browsing led to other minor league findings: In 1947, pitcher Bob Freels, who later became a noted basketball official in southwestern Illinois, led Belleville with 19 victories. While Belleville won the Illinois State League that season, Rip Repulski (a future Cardinals outfielder) led West Frankfort with 10 home runs.

In 1950, East St. Louis native Jimmy Bels of West Frankfort led the Class D Mississippi-Ohio Valley League in batting average (.349), runs (133), and hits (154). In 1951, infielder Dave Garcia of East St. Louis not only managed Oshkosh of the Wisconsin State League but led the league in hits (157), home runs (23), batting average (.369) and RBI (127).

In 1952, Belleville native Alan Grandcolas led Fresno to a Class C California State League crown with league highs of hits (191) and batting average (.347).

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Mayes showing mounds of talent

Tri City pitcher aces summer test, proves lone selection for all-star game

By Rick Broome
Staff writer

Tri City pitcher Devin Mayes will attend the American Legion all-star game Monday night as his team's lone representative.

Going into the season, Mayes was thought to be the everyday shortstop with only the occasional turn on the hill.

But after a solid close on the mound for Granite City High School, Mayes became the summer squad's staff ace. "Devin made the all-star game as a pitcher, and should have made it as a pitcher," Tri City coach Chad Lignoul said. "He didn't have the kind of year he should have had in the field and at the plate. But he missed a little time early (with a hamstring injury), and that affected him a little bit."

Tri City won nine of its last 10 games down the stretch, including a six-game winning streak, a string of success in which Mayes played a big part.

Mayes pitched a complete game to beat Bethalto on July 5, giving up just one earned

run while striking out 14. Six days later, Mayes again went the distance in a victory vs. Belleville. He struck out 14 in that game, too, and southerners and surrendered just two earned runs.

After a poor start to the season, Post 113 used the winning stretch to secure a third-place berth in the American Legion playoffs. But once there, the job was far from done. Lignoul handed the ball to Mayes for the start against Alton in the crucial single-elimination opener. Mayes didn't disappoint, throwing seven innings of shutout

Chad Lignoul
Tri City manager

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Tim Stephenson photo
Tri City's Devin Mayes covers second base on a throw from the catcher for a stolen base attempt.

Edwardsville claims North championship

By Louie Korac
Staff writer

Edwardsville Post 199 needed to take the long road to advance through the national champion of Legion baseball, dropped a 13-11 decision to Collinsville on Monday night in the first round, Edwardsville had to survive an uphill climb through the losers bracket.

LEGION BASEBALL

bracket.

Tops Collinsville for trip to district final

When Post 199, the defending national champion of Legion baseball, dropped a 13-11 decision to Collinsville on Monday night in the first round, Edwardsville had to survive an uphill climb through the losers bracket.

That climb came to a resounding

finish Thursday night when Chris McCoy belted a three-run home run in the bottom of the sixth to send Edwardsville past Collinsville Post 365 12-2 at Arthur Fletcher Field in Collinsville.

McCoy, who finished the night 4 for 5

with a double, a home run, three runs scored and four RBI, drove Dane Thebeau's fastball over the center field fence to give Edwardsville (23-6) its fourth consecutive win in three nights. "We were pretty upset" after we lost on Monday," McCoy said. "We knew what needed to be done and we still felt like we were the team to beat."

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Post 978 edges Belleville for division title

By Scott Marion
Staff writer

Dante Brinkley's brief pitching performance Thursday night wasn't one of his career highlights. But his next plate appearance was scrapbook material.

LEGION BASEBALL

material.

Brinkley delivers key hit in 7th inning as Fairview Heights holds off Belleville

Brinkley, who has pitched sparingly for Fairview Heights Post 978 this summer, took the mound in the top of the seventh inning and surrendered a

RBI single and threw a pair of wild pitches as Belleville completed a six-run rally to tie the score at 8-8. But in the bottom of the inning,

Brinkley's double to center field scored Brad Bone and allowed Fairview Heights to claim a 9-8 victory in the American Legion District 22 South Division championship game.

"That's been happening to us a lot this year," Brinkley said of Post 978's inability to hold a big lead. "We get

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Tim Stephenson photo

Home on the range

Bryan White of Belleville works on his short game at the driving range at Gateway National Golf Course under the watchful eye of Gateway assistant golf professional Jason Holtman of Belleville.

Carlyle claims Lady Slam title

Organizers pleased with event's results, attendance

By Scott Marion
Staff writer

The fourth annual Lady Slam girls basketball tournament was everything its organizers hoped it would be.

The 16-team tourney was conducted July 17-18 at the Family Sportsplex in Belleville.

Carlyle defeated Carrollton 43-26 in the championship game, while Mount Vernon beat Collinsville 52-37 for third place.

"We had some really nice crowds, probably a little more than last year," said Althoff coach Don Haida, who organized the tournament along with Belleville West's Larry Betz.

"There were a lot of highly competitive games and a couple thrillers, but all in all, there were no major upsets. Having Carrollton and Carlyle in the finals was not a huge surprise, but they won some big games to get there. Carlyle beat Collinsville

55-40 in the semifinals while Carrollton beat Mount Vernon 46-39.

"(Brees) Central got fifth place (beating Taylorville 60-56) after losing by three points to Collinsville in the second round. The final eight teams (including Mater Dei, which beat Freeburg 40-33 for seventh place) were all pretty good. Belleville East, which won the consolation championship (71-42 over Centralia), is also a strong team."

Haida feels the Sportsplex is an ideal setting for the Lady Slam.

"Having games on four courts at one time is exciting," Haida said. "Around 11:30 (a.m.) Saturday, the parking lot was packed and the place was just rocking. We had even more people on Sunday."

Betz, meanwhile, was equally pleased with the tournament. "The attendance was excellent and everything went so smoothly," Betz

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Sports

American Legion statistics

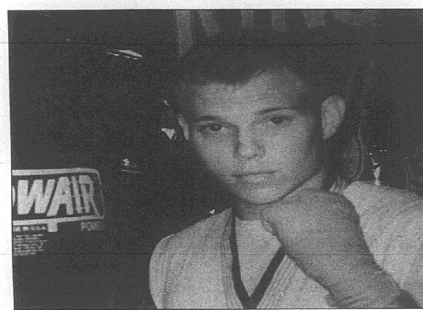
American Legion District 22 Senior Standings (Final) (Source: District 22)			
NORTH BLUE	League		
Edwardsville	10-11		
Bethalto	10-11		
Granite City	10-11		
Alton	9-12		
South Roxana	9-12		
NORTH RED	League		
Troy	14-3		
Collinsville	13-7		
Highland	13-7		
East St. Louis	13-7		
SOUTH BLUE	League		
O'Fallon	15-5		
Fairview Heights	15-5		
Columbia	15-5		
Cahokia	15-5		
Dupo	15-5		
SOUTH RED	League		
Bethalto	12-8		
Waterloo	11-9		
Nashville	11-9		
Smithton	7-13		
American Legion District 22 Junior Standings (Final) (Source: District 22)			
NORTH	League		
Edwardsville	20-3		
Alton	19-4		
Troy	14-9		
Wood River	10-13		
Collinsville	9-14		
Ward	8-15		
Granite City	8-15		
Highland	5-18		
Bethalto	2-21		
SOUTH	League		
Wayne Astrauskas, Collinsville	11-9		
Shawn Hampton, O'Fallon	11-9		
Kyle Young, Highland	11-9		
Andy Schutzenhofer, Fairview Heights	11-9		
Mike Brown, Fairview	11-9		
Keith Tilton, Fairview	11-9		
Steve Haake, Waterloo	11-9		
Justin Clayton, Collinsville	11-9		
Justin McBride, Troy	11-9		
Jeremy Schmersahl, Waterloo	11-9		

Runners Batted In			
Player	AB	AVG	
Kevin Sangolo, Belleville	59	.542	
Zachary Borowiak, Nashville	58	.535	
Jared Hayes, Troy	50	.522	
Louis Beatty, Fairview	51	.516	
Brooks Colvin, O'Fallon	47	.479	
Brad Bone, Fairview	45	.453	
Kirk Heischmidt, Alton	45	.453	
Player			
Kevin Sangolo, Belleville	59	.542	
Nick Bonnenstiel, O'Fallon	58	.535	
Eric Cameron, Nashville	50	.522	
Jake Gutierrez, Highland	51	.516	
Travis Krick, Smithton	47	.479	
Jason Diemer, Belleville	45	.453	
Jason Ballesteros, Bethalto	45	.453	
Jake Frederich, Belleville	45	.453	
Jared Hayes, Troy	45	.453	
Jeff Scherzinger, Alton	45	.453	
Andy Schutzenhofer, Fairview	45	.453	
Robert Rahn, South Roxana	45	.453	
Brad Bone, Fairview	45	.453	
Andrew Batson, Columbia	45	.453	
Player			
David Tebbe, Highland	117	.444	
Jeff Scherzinger, Alton	117	.444	
Andy Schutzenhofer, Fairview Heights	117	.444	
David Tebbe, Highland	117	.444	
Brendon McGinnis, Alton	117	.444	
Sam Powers, Alton	117	.444	
Dane Brinkley, Fairview	117	.444	
Zachary Borowiak, Nashville	117	.444	
Dan Munoz, Collinsville	117	.444	
Dane Thebaud, Collinsville	117	.444	
Kyle Wessel, Belleville	117	.444	
Shawn Hampton, O'Fallon	117	.444	
Steve Haake, Waterloo	117	.444	
Travis Jones, Belleville	117	.444	
Brooks Colvin, O'Fallon	117	.444	
Player			
Wayne Astrauskas, Collinsville	117	.444	
Shawn Hampton, O'Fallon	117	.444	
Kyle Young, Highland	117	.444	
Andy Schutzenhofer, Fairview Heights	117	.444	
Mike Brown, Fairview	117	.444	
Keith Tilton, Fairview	117	.444	
Steve Haake, Waterloo	117	.444	
Justin Clayton, Collinsville	117	.444	
Justin McBride, Troy	117	.444	
Jeremy Schmersahl, Waterloo	117	.444	

Youth standings

CBSL Standings			
Baseball			
Atom 0			
Standings			
HighDry Carp.	W	L	Pct. GB
D&K Backhoe	7	1	1.000 -
K&J Products	2	9	.182 8 1/2
Dr. Kollman	1	10	.091 9
MacLair Asphalt	0	11	.000 10 1/2
X2 Collision	0	11	.000 10 1/2
Matter Const.	0	11	.000 10 1/2
Atom 1			
National League			
Standings			
Madair Asphalt	W	L	Pct. GB
X2 Collision	5	3	.625 -
Highland	4	4	.500 1 1/2
Matter Const.	1	6	.143 3 1/2
Atom 1			
National League			
Standings			
Osborn Const.	W	L	Pct. GB
CCM, Inc.	9	2	.818 1/2
LaFrank Mont.	6	7	.462 4
Farmers Mkt.	6	7	.462 4
Atom 1			
American Legion			
Standings			
Help-U-Sell	W	L	Pct. GB
Advertiser Press	6	7	.462 3 1/2
Nice 1st Edition	3	8	.269 5 1/2
Kuote Const.	1	11	.093 8
Atom 2			
National League			
Standings			
Illini Conc.	W	L	Pct. GB
Dr. Pepper	9	1	.900 -
Pizza World	7	4	.636 2 1/2
Kings Backhoe	5	6	.455 4 1/2
York & Sons	3	8	.273 8 1/2
Atom 2			
American League			
Standings			
Throm Const.	W	L	Pct. GB
Randy's Trailer	8	2	.800 -
Tri-City Strg.	10	1	.909 1/2
Dr. Meyer	0	11	.000 8 1/2
Atom 1			
National League			
Standings			
KorC	W	L	Pct. GB
Prudential	8	6	.571 5
LCS	5	7	.417 7
Carry's Auto	3	8	.273 8 1/2
Atom 1			
American League			
Standings			
CV Jaycees	W	L	Pct. GB
Lion's Club	5	5	.500 1 1/2
The BANK	4	6	.400 2
Atom 2			
National League			
Standings			
M. Murphy	W	L	Pct. GB
Buzz's Auto	6	5	.545 1 1/2
CV Jaycees	2	7	.222 3
Atom 1			
National League			
Standings			
Kiwans	W	L	Pct. GB
IFC Auto	11	3	.786 -
TBA BANK	6	8	.429 5
Atom 1			
American League			
Standings			
Con. Ice & Fuel	W	L	Pct. GB
Walton Htg.	7	7	.500 -
VFW	4	8	.333 2

Boxing phenoms



Granite City boxers Ian Warren (left) and Eric Barnes (right) each won gold medals at the USA Junior Olympic Boxing Regionals in Kansas City. Barnes, age 14, is ranked No. 1 in the six-state region for the 13-14 age group among 132-pounders. Warren, 15, also is ranked No. 1 in the region and advanced to win the bronze medal at the national tournament in Marquette, Mich. He is ranked No. 3 in the U.S. in the 178-pound division for 15-16-year olds. The boxers are trained by Terry Davis at the 45th Street Gym in Fairmont City.

Youth standings

Granite City Park District			
BASEBALL			
Bantam II			
Moose Lodge Jaguars	W	L	Pct. GB
G.C. Elks	6	0	1.000 -
Save-A-Lot	4	2	.667 1 1/2
Cardinals	3	3	.500 3
Pizza World II	1	5	.167 5 1/2
Bantam I			
Eagles 1126	W	L	Pct. GB
APSCME A's	7	0	1.000 -
Raptors	5	2	.714 1 1/2
Predators	4	2	.667 3
Cubs	3	3	.500 3
G.C. Elks	2	4	.333 5 1/2
Warriors	2	4	.333 5 1/2
G.C. Housing Authority	1	5	.167 5 1/2
ASA Home & Building Ins.	1	5	.167 5 1/2
Atom II			
Monsoons	W	L	Pct. GB
Warriors	4	0	1.000 -
IAC Dodgers	3	2	.600 1 1/2
G.C. USA Gators	3	1	.750 3
G.C. Elks	3	1	.750 3
Blue Eagles	2	2	.500 3
Eagles	2	2	.500 3
Giants	1	3	.250 5 1/2
Angels	0	5	.000 5 1/2
SOFTBALL			
Pony Tail Atom			
Little Angels	W	L	Pct. GB
Angels	5	0	1.000 -

Tri-City Speedway hosts True Value Night

Five drivers in contention for series title in late model division

Tri-City Speedway will host True Value Night on July 31. Admission for the NASCAR Winston Racing Series will be free for students and children 15 and under with a paid adult.

Five racers are in contention for the NASCAR Winston Racing Series Championships Late Model Division. Terry James, John Dickerman, Terry McCracken, Craig Smith and Paul Schrempf are battling in the closest race in track history. Rick Stevenson and Tim Barrett are battling for what would be either's first NASCAR Winston Racing Series Shorttrack title. The Mountain Dew Street Stock Division is led by 17-year-old Josh Carroll and the Pepsi Generation-Net Charger series is led by Robbie Benson.

Adult admission is \$9 for True Value Night. Parking is free.

Spectator gates open at 6 p.m. with the racing to commence at 7 p.m.

Golf tourney

The Legacy Golf Course in Granite City will host a two-person scramble Aug. 15 with divisions for women and men. The cost is \$55 per player. For information, call 931-4653.

Flag football league

The Game Face Flag Football League is taking team applications for the 1999 adult fall season. The league will offer competitive and recreational divisions.

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For more information, call 277-9727.

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- The opportunity to earn scholarship funds during the season.

For more information, call Imes at 632-2400.

Golf tourney

The O'Fallon Knights of Columbus Council 4239 is sponsoring its annual golf tournament to benefit the St. Clare School Athletic Program at Yorktown Golf Course on Aug. 8. For information, call tournament co-chairman A.J. Adams at 632-0576.

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Post 199 advances to Legion District 22 final

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even though we lost the first game. "I haven't seen many fastballs in this tournament but tonight they were coming in there and (Thebeau) threw me a belt-high fastball and it felt good coming off the bat. We're happy to be playing on."

Post 199 will play Fairview Heights in the District 22 championship series, a best-of-3 playoff which was set to begin 1 p.m. Saturday at

Blazier Field in O'Fallon. Games 2 and 3 are set for today in Edwardsville.

Tim Hanel (4-0) pitched six innings of five-hit ball and was backed by Edwardsville's 15-hit attack in Thursday's final. The win was the second straight for Edwardsville against Collinsville, following Wednesday's must-win game for Post 199.

Collinsville finished its season at 26-10 as Dan Munoz took the loss. He pitched four innings and allowed nine hits, seven runs (six earned) and

three walks. He struck out four.

"The better team won, no question about it," said Collinsville manager Steve Heimkamp. "They had better hitting, better pitching and we still knew there was the possibility of facing them again after beating them on Monday."

Edwardsville manager Ken Schaake said the credit goes to his players for rebounding from Monday's loss.

"Losing that game on Monday hurt their pride a little bit," he said.

"They're the ones used to winning games like that where there's a battle going back and forth. The kids never quit. You could see that they were determined to play hard for four games because that's what we were faced with after Monday."

"Tim (Hanel) is a gamer. He threw the ball very well for us tonight and we had some other people step up. (Andrew) Honegger did the little things tonight, Travis (Riggs) catches a lot, but he was able to get some good swings in and Chris just needed to be a little patient."

Post 199 scored runs in every inning, including three in the first, single runs in the second and third, two in the fourth, another in the fifth and four in the sixth.

Honegger was 2 for 3 with a run and two RBI. Riggs finished 3 for 3 with two doubles, three runs scored and two RBI and Matt Bogle and Nick Seibert each had two hits.

"We don't care who we play," McCoy said about Edwardsville's opponent this weekend. "We feel confident that we can play with anyone."

Fairview wins division title

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seven or eight runs ahead and lay back and the other team doesn't die. One of those games, we're not going to come back.

Fairview Heights (29-7) was scheduled to play host to North Division winner Edwardsville Saturday afternoon in the first game of the best-of-three district championship series. The second game and a third game, if necessary, will be played today at

Edwardsville.

Because Belleville (21-14) was coming out of the loser's bracket, it needed to beat Fairview Heights twice on Thursday to earn the division title.

"Dante Brinkley is such a great competitor," Fairview manager Dennis Schutzenhofer said. "He was 10-2 this spring (for Belleville East) and we relied on him in every big game, but his arm was shot by the time we played Edwardsville (in the IHSAA Class AA sectional final).

"We were down to our last pitcher. I was going to start Dante in the second game if we lost."

The Hilgards had some early opportunities, but stranded five baserunners in the first two innings.

"These were two great baseball teams," Gansmann said. "It says a lot about Belleville baseball that all three high school teams (Belleville East, Belleville West and Althoff) were involved. I dare anybody to top that."

Mayes makes all-star squad

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baseball. Alton got just three hits and two walks and struck out nine times.

"He pitched well," Lignoul said. "Coming down the stretch, I think he was one of the best pitchers in the league and he well deserves to be in the all-star game."

Mayes is sure to be a big part of the Granite City staff next high school season. If that term proves as fruitful as this

summer, college may beckon.

"If Devin continues to improve and learns to be a little more of a hard-nosed kid, he can really be a good player, even at the next level," Lignoul said. "He has all the tools, all the physical tools that everybody wants. It's just a matter of how much he wants to be good, how good he wants to be."

Though Mayes stands alone in representing Post 113, it wasn't for lack of talent on the team. Several of Tri City's key

performers were left off the all-star roster, which included nine players from Edwardsville.

"More of those guys should have made the all-star team," Lignoul said. "Teddy (Mallas) should have made the all-star team, he has had a great year. Matt Pistorius was our leading hitter, he probably deserved to make the all-star team. Matt Mercer had a great year. I could go down the list. More of our players should have made it."

Organizers happy with tourney

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said. "I wasn't happy with how we finished (West was 1-3 overall and beat O'Fallon for seventh place in consolation), but the kids played hard and every game we played a little better."

"(The Lady Slam) gives you a chance to see how your kids are doing at this point of the summer, which is one reason why I like having the tournament this late. It's neat to see how

some kids have improved.

"We had some really pleasant surprises and we had some disappointments, but that's what it's all about."

Final Results

Championship — Carlyle 43, Carrollton 28.
Third place — Mount Vernon 52, Collinsville 37.
Fifth place — Breesee Central 60, Taylorville 56.
Seventh place — Mater Del 40, Freeburg 33.
Consolation bracket — Belleville East 71, Centralia 42.

Granite City Elks hosting soccer shootout

The Granite City Elks Lodge is holding a soccer shootout competition targeted for boys and girls ages 7-13 who live in Madison County and some parts of St. Clair County.

The local competition will be held Saturday, July 31 at the

Elks Sports Complex on the Granite City campus of Belleville Area College, located at 4950 Maryville Road. Registration begins at 9 a.m. Players can wear team uniforms if they wish, or if not on a team, dress comfortably.

Players should bring a soccer ball, water and a copy of their birth certificate.

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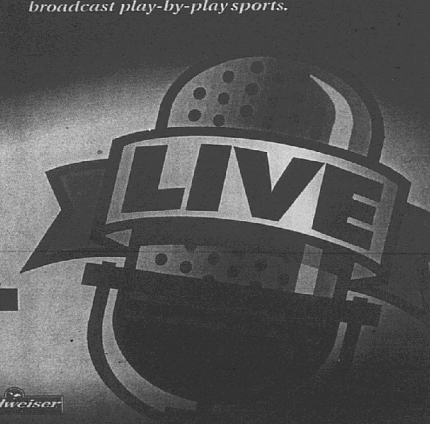
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Movie Schedule

Film timetable for Sunday, July 25. For times on other days or to confirm these times, check local theaters.

CARMIE PETITE
470 and Hwy. 157, Collinsville, 344-1708
Lake Placid (R) 1:20, 3:30, 7:15, 9:15
Eyes Wide Shut (R) 12:40, 3:50, 7:00, 10:10
Inspector Gadget (PG-13) 1:30, 4:00, 7:10, 9:30
Big Daddy (PG-13) 1:00, 3:45, 7:10, 9:30

EASTGATE CINE
Eastgate Plaza, E. Alton, 254-5289
Inspector Gadget (PG) 2:15, 4:30, 6:30, 9:50
Lake Placid (R) 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 9:40
Eyes Wide Shut (R) 3:00, 6:45, 10:00
American Pie (R) 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:10
The Haunting (PG-13) 1:45, 4:15, 7:00, 9:30
Wild Wild West (PG-13) 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30

4:45, 7:15, 9:50
COTTONWOOD EDWARDSVILLE CINEMA
Edwardsville, Ill., 556-6390
Austin Powers 2 (PG-13) 2:45, 7:00
Notting Hill (PG-13) 2:30, 7:15
Tarzan (G) 2:00, 6:45

LINCOLN THEATER
103 E. Main, Belleville, 233-0123
Entrapment (PG-13) 7:05
Life (R) 9:20
Inspector Gadget (PG) 2:15, 6:45, 9:00
Election (R) 7:15, 9:10

NAMEOKI CINEMA
30 Nameoki Village, Granite City, 877-6630
Wild Wild West (PG-13) 2:00, 7:00, 9:30
Inspector Gadget (PG) 2:15, 6:45, 9:00

O'FALLON 15 CINE
1320 Central Park Dr., O'Fallon, 822-4900
Tarzan (G) 11:00, 1:15, 3:30, 5:45, 8:00, 10:15
Drop Dead Gorgeous (PG-13)

12:00, 2:15, 4:30, 7:00, 9:15
American Pie (R) 11:30, 1:45, 4:00, 7:00, 9:00
American Pie (R) 12:15, 2:30, 5:00, 7:40, 10:00
Big Daddy (PG-13) 1:15, 1:30, 3:45, 6:55, 8:10, 10:20
Big Daddy (PG-13) 12:00, 2:15, 4:30, 7:00, 9:00
The Haunting (PG-13) 11:00, 1:45, 4:15, 7:05, 9:30
The Haunting (PG-13) 12:00, 2:30, 5:15, 8:00, 10:30
Eyes Wide Shut (R) 12:00, 3:50, 7:25, 10:25
Eyes Wide Shut (R) 1:00, 4:15, 6:05
Star Wars (PG) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00
The General's Daughter (R) 12:30, 3:05, 5:40, 8:15
Notting Hill (PG-13) 1:15, 4:00, 7:05, 10:00
Ideal Husband (PG-13) 12:05, 2:35, 5:15, 7:45, 10:10
South Park (R) 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30

ROXANA CINE THEATER
Roxana, 254-4746
Big Daddy (PG-13) 2:30, 7:00

ST. CLAIR 10
501 Ludwig Drive, Fairview Heights, 356-6383
Wild Wild West (PG-13) 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:30
Wild Wild West (PG-13) 1:15, 3:30, 5:50, 8:20
Inspector Gadget (PG) 1:00, 2:10, 4:15, 6:20, 8:25
Inspector Gadget (PG) 1:00, 3:05, 5:10, 7:15, 9:20
The Wood (R) 12:15, 2:40, 5:10, 7:40, 10:00
The Wood (R) 1:30, 4:00, 6:30, 9:00
Big Daddy (PG-13) 12:20, 2:20, 4:20, 6:20, 8:20
Arlington Road (R) 1:45, 4:30, 6:15
Austin Powers 2 (PG-13) 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45
Muppets From Space (G) 12:00, 2:05, 4:10, 6:15, 8:00

SHOWPLACE 12 EDWARDSVILLE
6833 Central Grove Rd., 659-7469
Lake Placid (R) 12:30, 2:40, 5:15, 7:40, 10:10
Eyes Wide Shut (R) 12:00, 3:30, 7:00, 10:15
Big Daddy (PG-13) 12:40, 2:50, 5:20, 7:50, 10:05
American Pie (R) 2:10, 5:05, 7:30, 9:45
Inspector Gadget (PG) 12:15, 2:30, 4:40, 6:50, 9:10
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The Haunting (PG-13) 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 9:55
Star Wars (PG) 1:20, 4:20, 7:20, 10:00
South Park (R) 12:10, 2:20, 5:20, 7:45, 9:40

SKYVIEW DRIVE-IN
5700 North Bell, Belleville, 233-4400
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Inspector Gadget (PG)
Tarzan (G)
Big Daddy (PG-13)

'Eyes Wide Shut' overtakes 'American Pie' at box office

The dark sexual thriller "Eyes Wide Shut" was the top movie at North American theaters last weekend, knocking the teen sex comedy "American Pie" out of the No. 1 spot.

Stanley Kubrick's final film before his death took in \$21.7 million in its debut. "American Pie" made \$18.6 million in its second weekend.

Three other new films opened in the top 10: "Lake Placid" was third with just under \$11 million, "The Wood" was sixth with \$8.5 million and "Muppets from Space" was 10th with \$4.8 million.

Here are the top 20 movies at North American theaters for the weekend of July 16 to 18, followed by distributing studio, gross, number of theater locations, average receipts per location, total gross and number of weeks in release, as compiled Monday by Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc. and AC Nielsen EDI Inc.

• "Eyes Wide Shut," Warner Bros., \$21.7 million, 2,411 locations, \$9,003 average, \$21.7 million, two weeks.
• "American Pie," Universal, \$13.6 million, 2,518 locations, \$5,385 average, \$45.5 million, two weeks.
• "Lake Placid," 20th Century-Fox, \$11 million, 2,096

locations, \$5,236 average, \$11 million, one week.

• "Big Daddy," Columbia-Sony, \$10.4 million, 2,254 locations, \$3,201 average, \$13.45 million, four weeks.

• "Wild Wild West," Warner Bros., \$10.1 million, 3,342 locations, \$3,011 average, \$9.1 million, three weeks.

• "The Wood," Paramount, \$8.5 million, 1,191 locations, \$7,150 average, \$8.5 million, one week.

• "Tarzan," Disney, \$7.5 million, 2,838 locations, \$2,655 average, \$14.3 million, five weeks.

• "Star Wars: Episode I — The Phantom Menace," 20th Century-Fox, \$5.6 million, 1,850 locations, \$3,058 average, \$395.2 million, two weeks.

• "The General's Daughter," Paramount, \$5.2 million, 2,258 locations, \$2,304 average, \$87.9 million, five weeks.

• "Muppets from Space," Columbia-Sony, \$4.8 million, 2,255 locations, \$2,131 average, \$6.7 million, one week.

• "Austin Powers: The Spy Who Shagged Me," New Line, \$4.4 million, 2,090 locations, \$2,090 average, \$190.7 million, six weeks.

• "South Park: Bigger, Longer & Uncut,"

Paramount-Warner Bros., \$4.3 million, 2,008 locations, \$2,153 average, \$43.4 million, three weeks.

• "Arlington Road," Screen Gems-Sony, \$4.2 million, 1,631 locations, \$2,567 average, \$14.7 million, two weeks.

• "Notting Hill," Universal, \$2.1 million, 1,183 locations, \$1,780 average, \$107.1 million, eight weeks.

• "An Ideal Husband," Miramax-Dancey, \$1.7 million, 753 locations, \$2,289 average, \$11.9 million, five weeks.

• "The Blair Witch Project," Artisan, \$1.5 million, 27 locations, \$56,002 average, \$1.6 million, one week.

• "Summer of Sam," Disney-Touchstone, \$1.5 million, 1,056 locations, \$1,373 average, \$17.2 million, three weeks.

• "The Mummy," Universal, \$632,195, 557 locations, \$1,135 average, \$150.7 million, 11 weeks.

• "Entrapment," 20th Century-Fox, \$419,927, 546 locations, \$769 average, \$85.6 million, 12 weeks.

• "Run Lola Run," Sony Pictures Classics-Sony, \$408,529, 99 locations, \$4,127 average, \$2.2 million, five weeks.

Horoscope

SUNDAY, JULY 25
TODAY'S BIRTHDAY: Several sources that look encouraging for you materially could open up for you in the year ahead. Several may be of short duration, but one could have a lengthy run.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Don't let causal side issues throw you off track today and usurp your productivity. Be explicit about your objectives and stand firm and diligent about achieving them.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You could be in for a pleasant surprise today when you discover something you thought you couldn't do is actually achieved with relative ease.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Imagining negative outside factors influencing your forward progress is a waste of energy. Remain positive and all should turn out better than you would expect today.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Instead of giving anything up, you could gain by making compromises or concessions in your more intimate dealings with friends today. Don't be

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reluctant to offer adjustments. **SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** So long as you don't lose your focus, your ambitions, or your resourcefulness, you will be easily aroused today in developments that could be meaningful to you materially. **CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Although you might have to get a little tough today, your leadership qualities will enable you to do so in ways others will recognize as being for their own good. **AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** There's a lesson to be learned today. Don't worry about things before they happen. Some secret fear you've been

harboring could be eradicated at this time. **PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** This is not the time to lower your hopes and expectations, instead elevate them. Appearances are deceptive today. What might look negative will actually turn out positive. **ARIES (March 21-April 19)** It could irk you today if you witness someone who owes you money purchasing frivolous items. Rather than stew, speak up and remind the person of his or her obligation to you. **TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** A matter which you believe requires a discussion with an associate in order to be resolved continues to plague you today. The issue can be settled by being frank with one another.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) There are all kinds of hidden opportunities around you today, so probe a little instead of waiting for things to happen to you. You could profit from a situation another is promoting. **CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Speak up on behalf of a friend who might be in need of moral support from you today. It would be best to do so in front of others, so all will know exactly how you feel.

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AL-ANON meets at 8 p.m. Tuesdays at St. John United Church of Christ, 2901 Nameoki Road, Granite City. Call 463-2429 for more information.

AL-ATEEN meets at 7:30 p.m. Mondays at 4980 S. Illinois 159 in Glen Carbon. For first meeting, call Vickie at 288-1365.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS meets at 1:30 and 8 p.m. Sundays at 2116 Club, 2116 Edison, Granite City. Call (800) 307-6600 for more information.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS meets at 8 p.m. Tuesdays at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Pascal Hall, main floor, Granite City. Call toll-free (800) 307-6600 for more information.

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DEPRESSED ANONYMOUS, a 12-step program designed to help depressed people begin to take responsibility for their life situations, meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday at First Baptist Church, 634 St. Louis St., Edwardsville. Depressed Anonymous is meant to be a supplement to and not a replacement for therapy and anti-depressant medication. For information, call 632-6757 or 277-3765.

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Monthly

OSTOMY SUPPORT GROUP meets from 2 to 4 p.m. Tuesday at Pascal Hall, on the main floor of St. Elizabeth Medical Center. For more information, call 798-3167.

PEOPLE NEEDING PEOPLE BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP meets from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in the Wiseman Room on the first floor of St. Elizabeth Medical Center. For more information, call Hospice of Madison County at 708-3399.

Miscellaneous

ALTERNATIVES COUNSELING offers a supportive and educational group to the woman whose husband or romantic partner has sexually abused her child.

For more information, contact Donya L. Adkerson, M.A., at 656-5104.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS meets in the area at the following times and locations:

Tuesday — Path to Recovery starts at p.m. at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, 2100 Madison Ave., Kettler Center C.

Sunday — Recovery Sunday starts at 8 p.m. in Pascal Hall at SEMC.

Organizations

Weekly

GATEWAY SOUNDS CHAPTER of Sweet Adelines meets for rehearsal at 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the Collinsville Senior Citizens Center, 420 E. Main in Collinsville. Women who enjoy singing four-part harmony barbershop style are welcome to audition. For more information, call 345-4605, 345-1688 or 398-8853.

SOCIETY FOR THE PRESERVATION AND ENCOURAGEMENT OF BARBER SHOP QUARTET SINGING IN AMERICA INC., Collinsville chapter, meets at 8 p.m. Monday, at American Legion Post 365, 1022 Vandavia St.

TOPS 1699 (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meets at 8:45 p.m. Tuesdays at the Anchorage Recreation Center, 2909 Edwards St.; call 797-2724 for more information. Men and women are welcome to attend.

TOPS IL 2417 meets at 6 p.m. Tuesdays at Calvary Lighthouse Church of God, 1205 W. Pontoon Road, Weigh-in at 5:30 p.m. Any one age 7 or above with a weight problem is welcome. For more information call Ann at 453-8102.

TOPS 2048 (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meets at 9 p.m. Mondays at Second Baptist Church, 2100 Illinois Ave., Granite City. Call 875-3124.

TOPS IL 645 meets at 7 p.m. Mondays at the Anchorage Recreation Center, 2909 Edwards St., Granite City. Call 453-8102 for more information. Men and women are welcome.

Bi-monthly

EAGLES AUXILIARY 1126 meets at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Eagles Home, 2558 Madison Avenue in Granite City. Initiation is held the second Tuesday of each month and a social hour and refreshments following the meetings. For more information, call auxiliary president Nina Jackson at 377-9835.

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Monthly

JOB'S DAUGHTERS, BETHEL 43, meets at 7 p.m. Tuesdays at the Masonic Temple, 20th Street and Cleveland Boulevard.

Miscellaneous

THE MIDWESTERN UNITED STATES IMPERIAL DANCE CLUB

has regular dance meetings twice each month, starting at 6 p.m. at the American Legion Hall in Collinsville. The public is invited for dance lessons and open dancing at a cost of \$4 for non-members and \$2 for members. For more information, call 463-2405.

THE SINGLES CONNECTION has the following events scheduled: July 27 — Wallyball at the Edwardsville YMCA, 8:45 p.m.

URBAN LEAGUE of Madison County offers community programs at the UL Health Care Services, 500 Madison Ave. in Madison. Call 452-5394 for information.

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On the good side, less than one percent of the world's insects are considered harmful or destructive. And from that group, only a minute number actually damage turf. But considering the total numbers, that still leaves plenty.

Most of these turf-destroying creatures do their dirty work by devouring the grass roots. Of course, by working underground, their presence usually isn't known until it's too late.

One of the more common insects to plague lawns in this country is the white grub. These critters are small, usually not more than an inch long and are grayish-white in color. They have brown heads and three pairs of legs. Not very pleasant, and neither is what they do to lawns.

If left unchecked, these pests can destroy entire lawns. If they don't finish the job in the fall, they'll move deep into the soil to spend the winter and return to resume where they left off the following spring.

A good indication of grub damage in your lawn is brown patches that pop up here and there. If you suspect grubs, try to lift the turf up as if it were a carpet. If you can, sorry. You have grubs. Oftentimes they'll be visible when you lift up the turf. The greatest concentration of them will be nearest the edges where the good grass is.

Dursban and Diazinon liquids are great fast-acting short-term grub controls. For longer-lasting control, use Grubex.

If you spot brown patches, but the lawn doesn't lift up easily, you may not be quite out of the

woods. It could be grub damage from last spring. Don't apply any controls if this is the case, just keep watering. Wait until fall to go after the grubs.

Before applying grub controls, that soil and thatch layer should be moist, but the grass blades dry. Water the lawn thoroughly, letting the soil get completely wet. When the grass dries, apply the product. The lawn should be watered thoroughly within one hour of application to help carry the insecticide down to the root zone.

Grubs may remain active for a month or so after treatment. Some don't give up without a good fight, so a second application may be necessary.

A lawn with only minor damage can recover if you treat it as a newly-sodded lawn. Severe damage, unfortunately, calls for a seeding or re-sodding job. It's possible to grow seeds in the summer, but it's more difficult. A good solution would be to use a quick-germinating seed such as Perennial Ryegrass. When the cooler temperatures arrive, you can sow a more permanent type of seed.

Getting rid of grubs offers another plus for your lawn. Grubs are favorite foods of moles, common turf-destroying animals. These pests burrow under the ground, creating tunnels, destroying grass roots in the process. If there are no grubs, the moles won't hang around for long.

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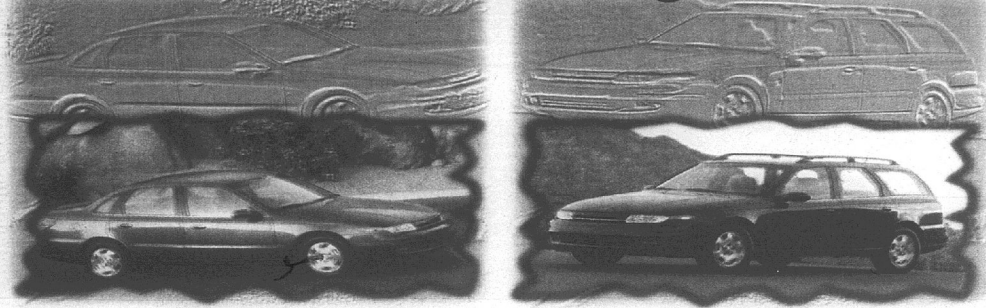
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Saturn debuts its "larger" model



2000 Saturn LS2

2000 Saturn LW2

By Tom Strongman

Hey, Accord and Camry, Saturn is growing up. The long-awaited, mid-size L-Series sedan and station wagon have made their public debut and will go on sale this month. The L designation stands for "larger."

The sedan is available in three trim levels, and the wagon two. Base prices range from \$15,490 for a four-cylinder sedan (LS) to \$21,800 for a V-6 station wagon (LW2).

Items such as anti-lock brakes (with traction control) and leather upholstery are optional. Upscale equipment such as a six-way power driver's seat and power sun roof also is available on selected models.

These two new front-wheel-drive Saturns give owners a move-up vehicle that offers more space and power than the original. Built on a 106.5-inch wheelbase, with an overall length of 190.4 inches, they are comparable in size to the Honda Accord and Toyota Camry.

Two engines are offered: a 2.2-liter, four-cylinder with twin balance shafts and 137 horsepower, and a 3.0-liter, dual-overhead-cam (DOHC) V-6 with 182 horsepower.

The L-Series, built in a new plant in Wilmington, Del., shares a number of its basic components with General Motors' German-built Opel.

Saturn roots are visible in the styling, which bears a family resemblance to the smaller S-Series. The use of polymer body panels continues on the new car, with the front fenders, doors and body-side panels being made of recyclable plastic that is dent and corrosion resistant. These panels are molded in Saturn's Spring Hill, Tenn., plant and shipped to Wilmington.

Hood, trunk, roof and rear quarter panels are steel. The standard engine is an all-new, DOHC, aluminum, 2.2-liter four-cylinder called the Twin Cam. It is available with a five-speed manual or an automatic transmission.

From a competitive standpoint, the bigger news is the availability of a 3.0-liter V-6. This engine, also a DOHC design, comes from General Motors of Europe and pumps out 182 horsepower. A nifty feature is the use of an electronic throttle linkage instead of a manual one.

Both engines utilize hydraulic mounts that minimize vibration, according to Saturn's press materials. A front subframe contains suspension components for a smoother ride and ease of assembly.

Front suspension is by MacPherson strut, while the one in back is a multilink, independent design. Saturn says the ride has been tuned to handle well on winding roads while providing a smooth, compliant ride.

Brakes are disc in front, drum in back on the LS, LSI and LW1 models, while the fancier LS2 and LW2 get discs all around. Anti-lock is a \$695 option across the board, but it comes with a traction control system that reduces engine power when the wheels slip.

The instrument panel, covered with a soft-touch padding, has gauges that look a lot like the ones used on the smaller S-series. Secondary controls for radio and heating/cooling are stacked into the center section of the dash, which is angled slightly toward the driver.

Air conditioning is standard, and contains an air filtration system that Saturn says helps eliminate dust, soot and other impurities from entering the passenger compartment.

The 60/40, split-folding rear seat folds down to expand the cargo hold of both the sedan and station wagon. The station wagon's total cargo capacity is 71.3 cubic feet with the seat down.

With the L-series, Saturn is broadening its product line and providing its buyers with a mid-size alternative to popular entries such as the Accord and Camry. Could it be that an SUV is also in its future?

Base prices start at \$15,490 for a four-cylinder sedan and range to \$21,800 for a V-6 station wagon. The warranty is for three years or 36,000 miles.

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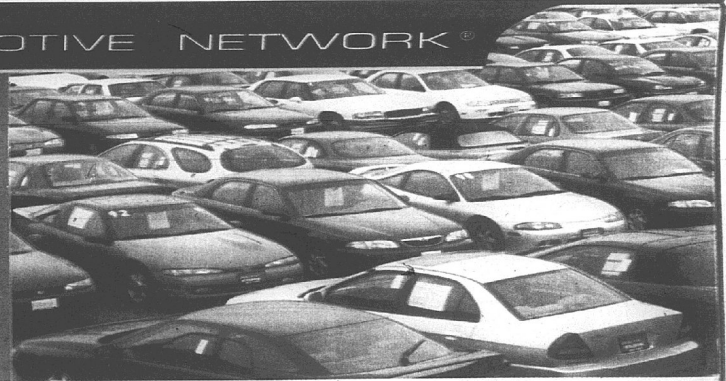
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Rangers roam through nature in area parks

Field combines individual interests with demands of law enforcement and public relations work

By Barbara Ponder
Correspondent

Hot on the trail of beavers, the mountain men ventured into America's unexplored territories. The buffalo clad trappers of the early 1800s led a simple life, according to St. Louis County Park Ranger Deborah Bohnert. "They lived purely off the land just like the Indians," she said. "They adopted a lot of the skills and the foods that the Indians had. That was a time when there were lots of contributions to the growth of this country."

Thoughts of the mountain men prowling through Bohnert's mind often as she goes about her duties. They manifest in programs, like the annual trapper rendezvous at Sioux Passage Park. Each ranger contributes a unique blend of interests and abilities to the parks department. Some may conduct camps focusing on skills such as fishing. Others may nurture the county's forests or prairies.

Transforming and obtaining feedback helps rangers develop innovative programs to meet the public's changing expectations. "It used to be nature talks they liked," Bohnert said. "Now they're looking for things that are different. Rangers have had to become more creative and more diverse in their programming."

A successful program offers the public an escape from life's

stresses. "They (participants) have a feeling of spirit," Bohnert said. "They get away from the housework. They cleanse their souls and they feel good again."

Rangers spend a lot of time patrolling. Acting as police officers, Bohnert, who works at Quarry Recreation Complex, developed a love of the outdoors as a child through family camping, hunting and fishing trips.

She attended the parks and recreation administration program of the University of Missouri-Columbia and joined St. Louis County in 1984, initially working part-time. About six years ago, Bohnert joined the county's

on the job hotline at 889-3665.

A ranger must be independent and self-motivated. "You come on duty and you may be given a lot of tasks to do, but you might not see a supervisor," Bohnert said. "You have to be willing to ask questions and to dig for things in programming."

She expects the horses are the best (public relations) we have," Bohnert said.

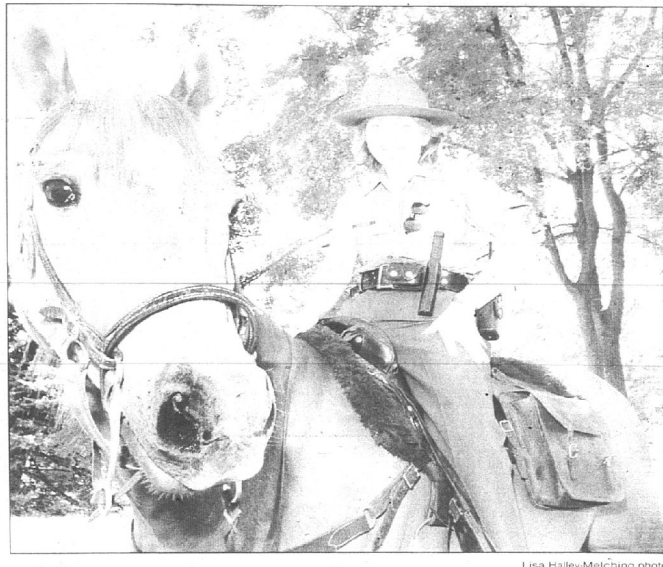
St. Louis County rangers generally work a 40-hour week including weekends and holidays, on a 28-day shift rotation. Their schedules are subject to change to accommodate requests for special programs.

Bohnert grew up in Bellefontaine Neighbors and now lives in Spanish Lake. "I have a picture of the house with wheat fields around it and no real driveways," she said. "My family built this house during the

bachelor's degree. Degrees in parks and recreation and natural science are particularly desirable. County park rangers are licensed through the St. Louis County Police Department. Rangers are employed in national, state and local parks, but the field is highly competitive. Salaries for St. Louis County rangers begin at \$23,590 and end at \$35,688. St. Louis City park rangers earn from \$15,448 to \$26,156. Those working for the state earn from \$27,465 to \$40,536.

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Deborah Bohnert
St. Louis County park ranger



Quarry Park Ranger Deborah Bohnert sits mounted on her horse Kae Bar Star

Lisa Hailey-Melching photo

Depression." Bohnert keeps her hand in activities planned in North

County, like the Cruising County Parkers car show at Spanish Lake later this month.

"My love is still here," she said. "I want to keep it (North County) as I remember it."

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